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YOUR NEIGHBOUR...**

Senator seeks transfer of prisoners

IMMEDIATE arrangements should be made to transfer two republican prisoners, Michael O'Brien and Kevin Kelly, from prison in the Republic, a Fine Gael MP said.

Senator Dan Neville said the provisions of the European Convention on the Transfer of Sentenced Prisoners should be brought into effect to allow the transfer of the two prisoners to the Republic.

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Meanwhile, British Home Secretary Howard Baker said that the British Government would consider the transfer of the two prisoners to the Republic.

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ISSUED BY: **SINN FÉIN** 

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27 IRISH POLITICAL PRISONERS ARE BEING HELD IN ENGLAND

■ **21 YEARS IMPRISONED:** Ten Irish POWs in England are about to embark on their 21st year of imprisonment.

■ **SOLITARY CONFINEMENT:** One quarter of Irish political prisoners in England are being held in a restricted regime.

The damaging physical and psychological effects of this regime has been widely documented and continued use condemned by a range of human rights bodies and medical experts.

■ **VISITS:** Relatives of POWs who make the expensive journey to England continue to be harassed under the PTA and quite often find that the prisoner has been 'ghosted' overnight to another prison.

Elderly and infirm relatives are unable to travel to England;

POWs in the SSUs are subject to 'closed' visits, including family, legal and consular visits.

Closed visits prevent physical contact between a prisoner and their visitor.

■ **COMPASSIONATE PAROLE:** POWs in England are denied compassionate parole.

■ **TRANSFER / REPATRIATION:** Existing British government policy allows for transfer from English prisons to the Six Counties.

Provision, under a council of Europe treaty, now exists for the repatriation of Irish prisoners to the 26 Counties.

The British cabinet continues to obstruct the transfer of Irish POWs to prisons in Ireland.

IRISH POLITICAL PRISONERS AND THEIR FAMILIES HAVE SUFFERED ENOUGH

SINN FÉIN DEMANDS:

■ **AN END TO THE TORTURE OF POWs IN THE SSUs;**

■ **THE IMMEDIATE TRANSFER OF ALL IRISH POLITICAL PRISONERS FROM
ENGLAND TO PRISONS IN IRELAND PENDING THEIR RELEASE.**

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